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OFFICE OF MANAGING DIRECTOR

> James L. Oyster, Esquire 108 Oyster Lane Castleton, Virginia 22716

Re: Mohawk Valley Broadcasting, Inc. New Television Station Ilion, New York Fee Control # 8906294032947001

Dear Mr. Oyster:

This will respond to your request for refund of the filing fee submitted on behalf of Mohawk Valley Broadcasting, Inc. ("Mohawk") in connection with its construction permit application for a new television station on Channel 67 at Ilion, New York.

You state that subsequent to Mohawk's submission, the Commission reallocated the 746-806 MHz band, which had comprised television channels 60-69, on a primary basis for public safety use. See Reallocation of Television Channels 60-69, the 746-806 MHz Band, Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 22953 (1998). The Commission's reallocation had been mandated by Congress. See Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Pub. L. 105-33, 111 Stat 251 § 3004 (1997). Given that Channel 67 is no longer available, Mohawk has sought a refund of its filing fee.

Section 1.1113(a)(4) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1113(a)(4), provides that an applicant will be eligible for a fee refund where a new rule, law or treaty negates or renders the pending application useless. In adopting this rule, the Commission stated that the section was intended to apply only in those "rare instances" where a statutory or regulatory change would nullify a pending application. See Establishment of a Fee Collection Program to Implement the Provisions of the Consolidated Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1985, 2 FCC Rcd 947, 950 (1987), reconsidered in part, 3 FCC Rcd 5987, 5988 (1988). Under the circumstances, section 1.1113(a)(4) applies, and refund of the fee payment is warranted.

Accordingly, your request is granted. A check, made payable to the maker of the original check and drawn in the amount of \$2,250.00, will be sent to you at the earliest practicable time. If you have any questions concerning this refund, please contact the Chief, Fee Section at (202) 418-1995.

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Attention: Thomas M. Holleran, FCC Rm. 848

Re: Request for Refund of Filing Fee

Gentlemen:

This is to request on behalf of Mohawk Valley Broadcasting, Inc. ("Mohawk"), applicant for a new television broadcast station on Channel 67 at Ilion, NY, tendered for filing on June 28, 1989, that the filing fee submitted with that application in the amount of \$2,250.00, be refunded in accordance with Section 1.1113(a)(4) of the Commission's Rules.

Subsequent to the filing of this application, on August 5, 1997, the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Pub. L. 105-33, 111 Stat 251 (1997), was enacted. It added a new Section 337(a) to the Communications Act requiring that, by January 1, 1998, the Commission must reallocate 24 MHz of the channel 60-69 spectrum for public safety use, and that it reallocate the remaining 36 MHz of that spectrum for commercial use to be assigned by competitive bidding. A Report and Order in ET Docket No. 97-157 completing this reallocation was adopted on December 31, 1997, FCC 97-421, released January 6, 1998. Accordingly, Channel 67 is no longer available at Ilion, NY.

Since the application has been nullified ex post facto by the referenced legislation, Section 1.1113 of the Rules applies to mandate a refund of the fee submitted with the application. Attached hereto is documentation regarding payment of the fee, including the application cover letter, canceled check, and copy of the FCC data base listing the application.

Accordingly, the applicant hereby requests a return of its filing fee in the amount of \$2,250.00. The fee should be forwarded to the undersigned as counsel for Mohawk. Should any additional information be desired regarding this matter, please communicate with this office.

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ames L. Oyster
Counsel for Mohawk

Mohawk Valley Broadcasting, Inc. Greenfield Road Rome, NY 13440 315-476-4963

June 28, 1989

Ms. Donna R. Searcy Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Application for a new television station, Ilion, New York

Dear Ms. Searcy,

Transmitted herewith in triplicate on behalf of Mohawk Valley Broadcatsing, Inc. is an application (FCC Form 301) for a new television station on Channel 67 at Ilion, NY.

There is submitted herewith a check payable to the order of the FCC in the amount of \$2,250.00 to cover the filing fee required in connection with this application.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned or our attorney, Mr. James L. Oyster.

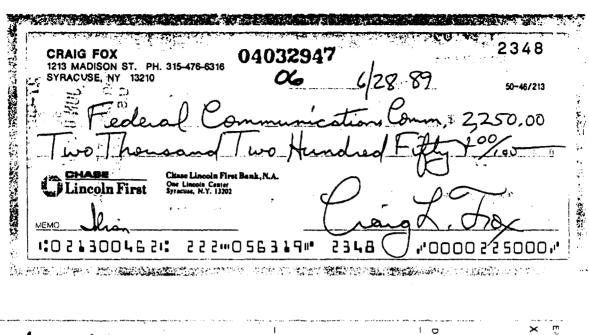
Respectfully submitted,

Vice President

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